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2.  LEGISLATION Concerning Tuesday's Senate Rules Committee mark-up of S. Res. 400, I met with Bill Cochrane, Staff Director of the Committee; Larry Smith, Minority Counsel; and Andrew Gleason, who represents Senator Hugh Scott (R., Pa.) on the Committee. On the same subject, I also met with Charles Mitchell, Executive Secretary to Senator James Allen (D., Ala.); Tom Hart and J. C. Argetsinger, of the Senate Judiciary Committee staff; and John Childers, Minority Counsel, Senate Government Operations Committee.

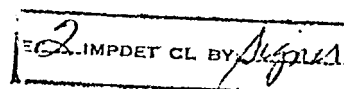
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7. [] LEGISLATION Delivered and discussed with Bill Cochrane, Dr. Floyd Riddick, Andrew Gleason, and Judge James Schoener, all of the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration staff, two proposed amendments to Senator Howard Cannon's (D., Neb.), Chairman of the Committee, substitute for S. Res. 400. Later, Bill Cochrane, Staff Director, informed me that the two amendments would be incorporated into the substitute.

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AT 9. [] LEGISLATION Attended the initial Senate Committee on Rules and Administration mark-up of S. Res. 400. Senators Mark Hatfield (R., Ore.) and Dick Clark (D., Iowa) introduced a number of perfecting amendments to the Resolution. These won the endorsement of a majority of the Committee. A number of Senators, including Senators Howard Cannon (D., Neb.), Chairman, James Allen (D., Ala.), and Hugh Scott (R., Pa.) stated they were supporting the amendments because they improved S. Res. 400; however, they would be supporting the Cannon substitute to S. Res. 400. The Committee recessed before reaching the Cannon substitute and called another mark-up session for Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.

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2. LEGISLATION Took a call from Chet Smith, on the staff of the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration. Mr. Smith was interested in our views on existing criminal statutes applicable to leaks of confidential information and whether congressional staff people were treated differently than other private citizens in that regard. I reviewed with him the various criminal statutes in this area and said that in my opinion congressional staff people would be liable as private citizens for disclosure of any information under those statutes. I reiterated to him that those criminal statutes were apart from and not applicable to the Director of Central Intelligence's responsibility for protecting sensitive intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure.

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4. [REDACTED] LEGISLATION I sat in on mark-up of S. Res. 400 by the Senate Rules and Administration Committee. After several amendments by Senators Robert C. Byrd (D., W. Va.) and Robert P. Griffin (R., Mich.) were agreed to, Chairman Howard W. Cannon (D., Nev.) offered an amendment by way of a substitute which was adopted by the Committee and will be reported to the floor.

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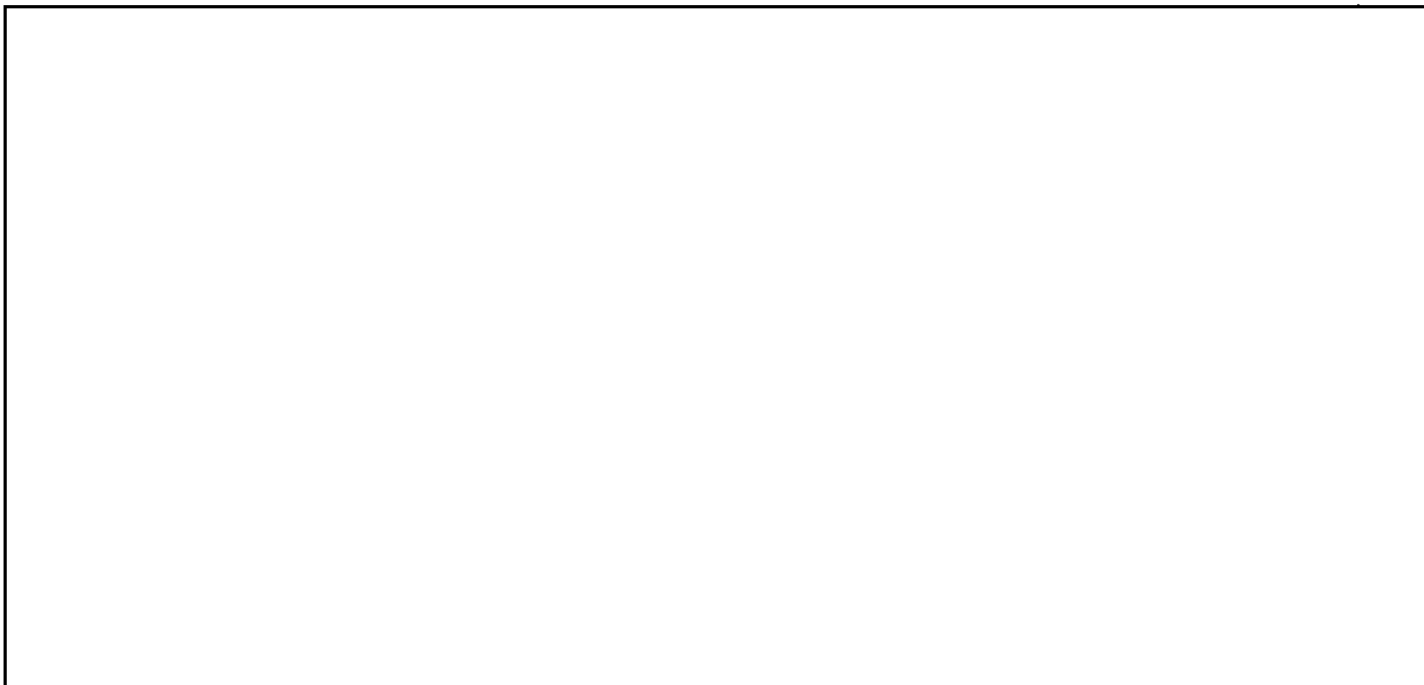
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11. [REDACTED] LEGISLATION Called John Childers, Minority Counsel, Senate Government Operations Committee, to discuss the ~~Senate Committee on Rules and Administration~~ action on S. Res. 400. Childers agreed to meet with me early next week to discuss the matter after the Rules Committee report is published. He indicated floor action is now scheduled for 10 May.

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12. [REDACTED] LEGISLATION Called Charles Mitchell, Executive Secretary to Senator James Allen (D., Ala.), to thank the Senator for introducing an amendment to S. Res. 400 which we had sought. Mitchell was pleased that the amendment had been accepted and that it had apparent support from both factions on the ~~Senate Committee on Rules and Administration~~. I asked Mitchell to pass along our gratitude to the Senator, and he said he would.

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6. LEGISLATION Called Larry Smith, Minority Counsel, Senate Rules Committee. Smith agreed to provide me a copy of the final language of S. Res. 400 just prior to the adoption of the Cannon substitute and a copy of the final language of the Cannon substitute. ☐ picked this up for me later in the afternoon.

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